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FUNDS SAVED DUE TO DISCONTINUATION OF SCHEMES
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) the funds likely to be saved and the number of posts likely to be abolished due to the discontinuation of some of the Centrally Sponsored Schemes in the Eleventh Plan;

(b) the sectors where the said funds are proposed to be utilized;

(c) whether arrangements have been made for the adjustment of posts likely to be abolished;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING(SHRI M.V. RAJASEKHARAN)

(a) to (e): Plan Schemes are discontinued on the basis of Zero Based Budgeting (ZBB) exercise while preparing a Plan. The primary purpose of ZBB exercise is to ensure convergence, efficiency and efficacy of schemes according to Plan objectives & priorities and also the use of available resources in the most judicious and economically efficient manner. Such an exercise has been done for the Eleventh Five Year Plan also. There is no saving as such. Further, the Centrally Sponsored Schemes are implemented by the States concerned through their mechanism.